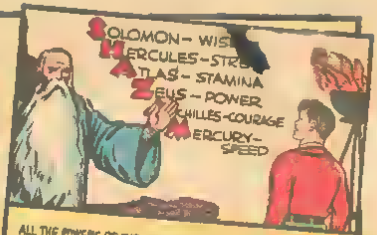
Captain Marvel ADVENTURES

IN MARVEL AND THE THREADS OF LIFE



ALL THE POWERS OF THE GREATEST MEN IN THE HISTORY OF THE WORLD HAVE BEEN GATHERED TOGETHER AND PLACED IN THE HANDS OF THE BOY REPORTER, **BILLY BATSON**. WHEN HE PRONOUNCES THE NAME OF THE ANCIENT WIZARD **SHAZAM**, HE BECOMES IN A BLINDING FLASH OF LIGHTNING THE MIGHTY **CAPT. MARVEL!** THEN WHEN EVIL IS DEFEATED AND JUSTICE AGAIN ESTABLISHED MARVEL REPEATS THE WORD AND CHANGES BACK TO BILLY ONCE MORE! SO AMAZING IS THE CHANGE THAT MOST PEOPLE NEVER EVEN REALIZE WHAT HAS HAPPENED!

POW

A SALESMAN CALLS AT THE OFFICE OF BILLY BATSON, STAR BOY NEWSCASTER FOR STATION WHIZ!

COME IN

RUGS FOR SALE!

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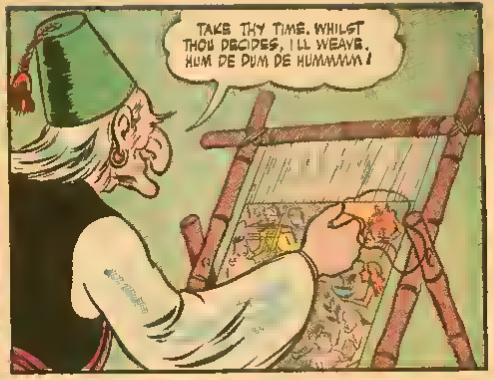
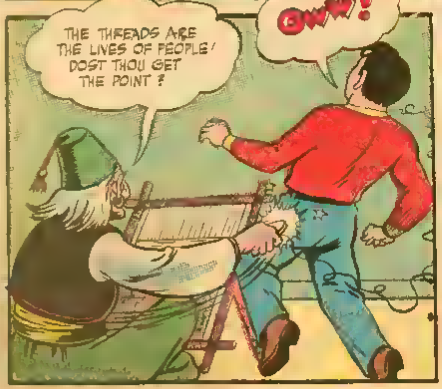
I AM ACHMED THE RUG WEAVER. TAKE THY PICK I WEAVE THEM MYSELF.
HMM I DO NEED A RUG FOR THE OFFICE 'I'LL LOOK THEM OVER'


TAKE THY TIME. WHILST THOU DECIDES, I'LL WEAVE. HUM DE DUM DE HUMMMMM!

SAY! THAT NEW ONE YOU'RE MAKING LOOKS BEST OF ALL! CAN I BUY THAT ONE?
AH NO! THIS IS MY LOOM OF LIFE!

HUH? LOOM OF LIFE?
YES! I AM A WEAVER OF DESTINY! I WIND THE THREADS OF LIFE TOGETHER.

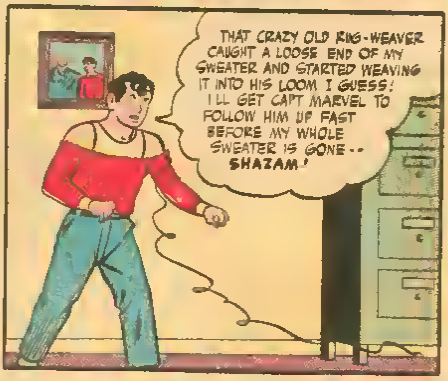

THE THREADS ARE THE LIVES OF PEOPLE! DOST THOU GET THE POINT?
EWW!

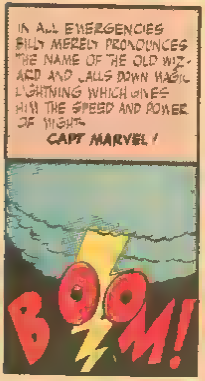
LOOM OF LIFE! THREADS OF DESTINY! HE MUST BE AN OLD CRACKPOT! OH WELL HE'S HARMLESS SO I'LL BUY ONE OF HIS RUGS AND GET RID OF HIM!

I THANK THEE! THAT RUG IS GUARANTEED TO LAST A LIFE-TIME-- E THOU DOESN'T LIVE TOO LONG

WELL BACK TO WORK!

HOLY MOLEY! WHAT'S THIS? MY SWEATER'S UNWINDING

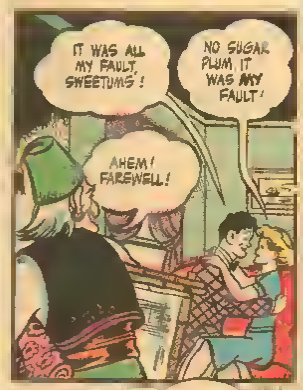

THAT CRAZY OLD RUG-WEAVER CAUGHT A LOOSE END OF MY SWEATER AND STARTED WEAVING IT INTO HIS LOOM I GUESS! I'LL GET CAPT MARVEL TO FOLLOW HIM UP FAST BEFORE MY WHOLE SWEATER IS GONE-- SHAZAM!

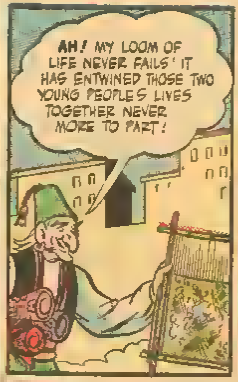

IN ALL EMERGENCIES BILLY MERELY PRONOUNCES THE NAME OF THE OLD WIZARD AND CALLS DOWN MAGIC LIGHTNING WHICH GIVES HIM THE SPEED AND POWER OF MIGHT-- CAPT MARVEL!
BOOM!

I'LL WIND UP THIS THREAD FROM BILLY'S SWEATER AS I GO ALONG!

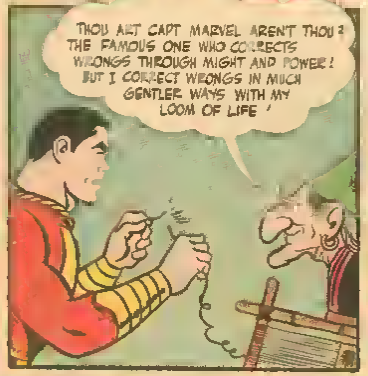
HOLY MOLEY! ACHMED GOT A GOOD START! I HAVEN'T CAUGHT UP WITH HIM YET!

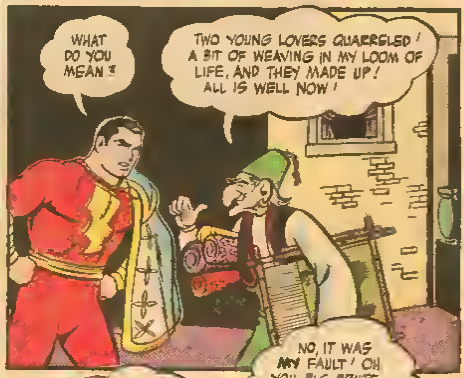
MEANWHILE NOT FAR AHEAD THE STRANGE LITTLE RUG-WEAVER IS ABOUT TO CALL ON HIS NEXT CUSTOMER.
SOB!
DO I HEAR SOBS WITHIN? SOMEONE IS IN TROUBLE! I SHALL STRAIGHTEN IT OUT WITH MY LOOM OF LIFE!
KNOCK!
SOB! PLEASE GO AWAY! I DON'T WANT TO SEE ANYBODY RIGHT NOW SOB!
LET ME IN MY CHILD! PERHAPS I CAN HELP THEE!
LOOK! SUCH A PRETTY RUG! TAKE IT AS A GIFT FROM OLD ACHMED!
I'M NOT INTERESTED! OH SOB SOB SOB!
WHAT IS THY TROUBLE CHILD? TELL OLD ACHMED!
SOB! MY BOY-FRIEND AND I -- SOB! -- WE HAD A TERRIBLE QUARREL! HE LEFT AND SAID- SOB! -- THAT HE WOULD NEVER SEE ME AGAIN! SOB!
HMM I SEE! IS THY BOY-FRIEND TALL WITH BLACK CURLY HAIR?
WHY, YES! HOW DID YOU --- SOB - KNOW?
BECAUSE MY CHILD! AM THE WEAVER OF DESTINY! I SHALL HELP THEE! I AM WEAVING THE THREADS OF YOUR LIVES TOGETHER -- THOU AND THY SWEETHEART! HE WILL BE HERE SOON WATCH AND SEE!
DARLING!
SWEETHEART!
SEE?

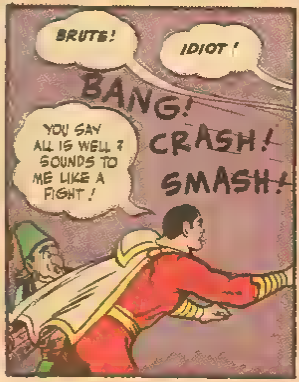

IT WAS ALL MY FAULT, SWEETUMS!
NO SUGAR PLUM, IT WAS MY FAULT!
AHEM! FAREWELL!


AH! MY LOOM OF LIFE NEVER FAILS! IT HAS ENTWINED THOSE TWO YOUNG PEOPLE'S LIVES TOGETHER NEVER MORE TO PART!

CAPT MARVEL HAS PATIENTLY FOLLOWED HIS TRAIL OF THREAD.
WELL HERE YOU ARE AT LAST! DID YOU KNOW THAT YOU UNRAVELED MOST OF BILLY'S SWEATER?
EH?


THOU ART CAPT MARVEL AREN'T THOU? THE FAMOUS ONE WHO CORRECTS WRONGS THROUGH MIGHT AND POWER! BUT I CORRECT WRONGS IN MUCH GENTLER WAYS WITH MY LOOM OF LIFE!


WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
TWO YOUNG LOVERS QUARRELED! A BIT OF WEAVING IN MY LOOM OF LIFE, AND THEY MADE UP! ALL IS WELL NOW!


BRUTE!
IDIOT!
BANG!
CRASH!
SMASH!
YOU SAY ALL IS WELL? SOUNDS TO ME LIKE A FIGHT!

IT WAS MY FAULT, I TELL YOU!
NO, IT WAS MY FAULT! OH YOU BIG BRUTE, PICKING ON A DEFENSELESS WOMAN!
HERE, HERE!

STOP THIS SILLY QUARREL--
--OOP!
CRASH!
I'VE GOT TO STOP THE FIGHT AND GET THEM TO MAKE UP--
AH, I HAVE IT! I KNOW THE ONE SURE WAY OF DOING IT!
PAW!
THE WORLD'S MIGHTIEST MORTAL IS IMMUNE TO ALL HARM.
YOU LITTLE WILD-CAT! YOU NEED A SPANKING!
HOW DARE YOU? OHHHHH!
WAP!
LET MY SWEETHEART GO YOU BIG RED APE!
BY PRETENDING TO BE BEATEN MAYBE I'LL LET HIM IMPRESS THE GIRL SO SHE'LL MAKE UP WITH HIM!
OHH!
OH, MY BRAVE HERO!
SCRAM, CAPTAIN MARVEL! AND DON'T COME BACK, OR I'LL PULVERIZE YOU!
MY BRAVE PRINCE!
MY SWEET PRINCESS!
IT WORKED! I PRETENDED TO LET THAT BOY BEAT ME UP AND NOW HE'S HER HERO!
SO YOUR WONDERFUL LOOM OF LIFE STRAIGHTENED EVERYTHING OUT, EH? YES--FOR ABOUT FIVE MINUTES! YOU'RE AN OLD FRAUD!

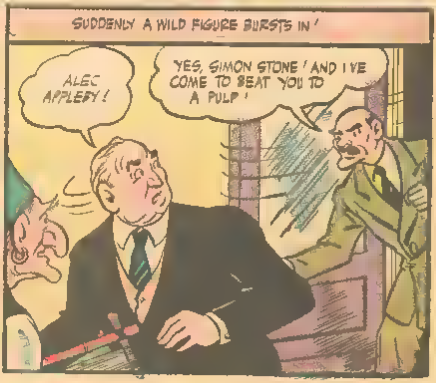
I SEE THOU ART SKEPTICAL OF MY POWERS MY SON! SO I WILL GO AND NOT ATTEMPT TO CONVINCE THEE!
LOOM OF LIFE! BAM!

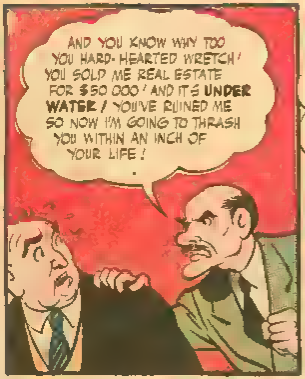
WHAT AN OLD FAKIR! HE CLAIMS HE TAKES THE THREADS OF PEOPLE'S LIVES AND WEAVES THEM INTO HIS LOOM OF LIFE! WHAT NONSENSE!

HOLY MOLEY! WHAT'S THIS?

THIS TIME HE CAUGHT A LOOSE THREAD OF MY SUIT! NOW I'VE GOT TO CHASE HIM ALL OVER AGAIN!

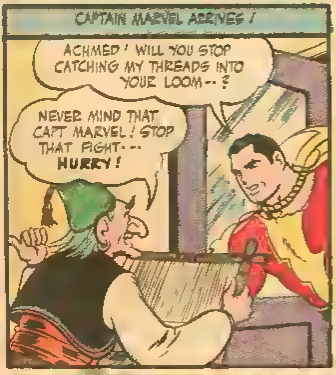
MEANWHILE THE MYSTERIOUS RUG WEAVER CONTINUES HIS STRANGE TRADE
NICE RUGS PRETTY RUGS! WHICH APPEALS TO THINE EYE?
NONE! GET OUT! I'M A BUSY MAN!

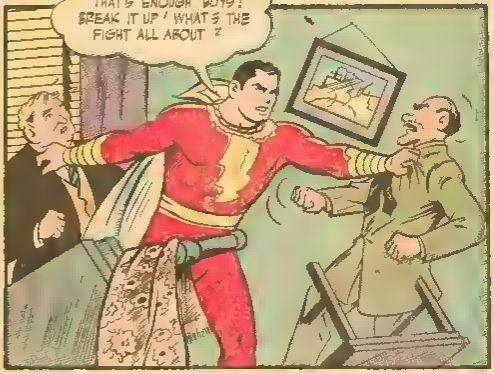

SUDDENLY A WILD FIGURE BURSTS IN!
ALEC APPLEBY!
YES, SIMON STONE! AND I'VE COME TO BEAT YOU TO A PULP!


AND YOU KNOW WHY TOO YOU HARD-HEARTED WRETCH! YOU SOLD ME REAL ESTATE FOR $50 000! AND IT'S UNDER WATER! YOU'VE RUINED ME SO NOW I'M GOING TO THRASH YOU WITHIN AN INCH OF YOUR LIFE!

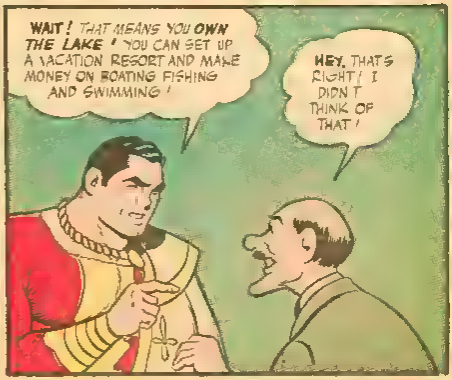
I MUST PREVENT THIS TERRIBLE TRAGEDY! I SHALL WEAVE ON MY LOOM OF LIFE AND MAKE THEM BECOME FRIENDS!

GENTLEMEN STOP! YOU CAN'T FIGHT! MY LOOM OF LIFE SAYS SO!

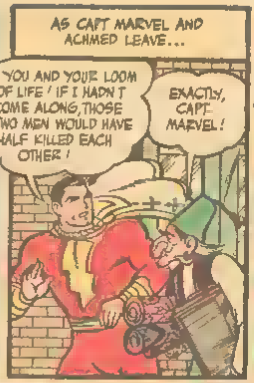

CAPTAIN MARVEL ARRIVES!
ACHMED! WILL YOU STOP CATCHING MY THREADS INTO YOUR LOOM--?
NEVER MIND THAT CAPT MARVEL! STOP THAT FIGHT--- HURRY!

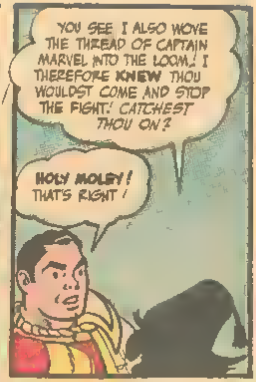

THAT'S ENOUGH BOYS! BREAK IT UP! WHAT'S THE FIGHT ALL ABOUT?

HE SWINDLED ME OUT OF $50 000. FOR A PIECE OF REAL ESTATE THAT IS BURIED UNDER A LAKE!
HOW DID I KNOW HE DIDN'T WANT A LAKE?

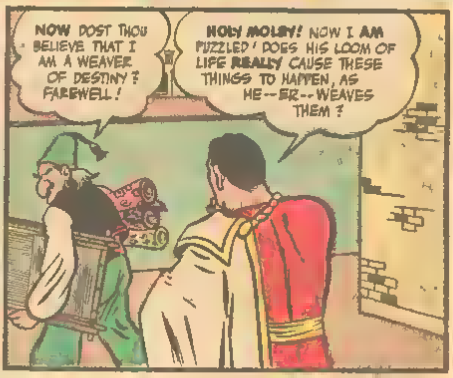

WAIT! THAT MEANS YOU OWN THE LAKE! YOU CAN SET UP A VACATION RESORT AND MAKE MONEY ON BOATING FISHING AND SWIMMING!
HEY, THAT'S RIGHT! I DIDN'T THINK OF THAT!

SEE ? YOU BOTH BENEFITED ! NOW SHAKE HANDS LIKE GENTLEMEN !
OKAY !
OKAY !

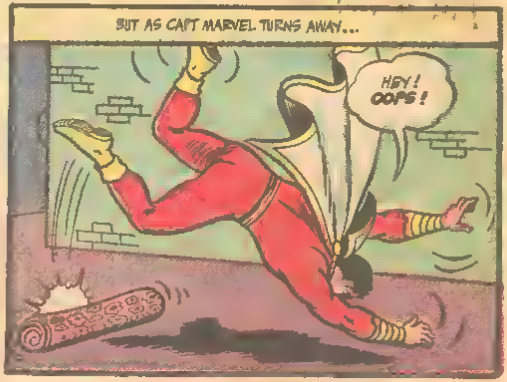

AS CAPT MARVEL AND ACHMED LEAVE...
YOU AND YOUR LOOM OF LIFE ! IF I HADN'T COME ALONG, THOSE TWO MEN WOULD HAVE HALF KILLED EACH OTHER !
EXACTLY, CAPT. MARVEL !


YOU SEE I ALSO WOVE THE THREAD OF CAPTAIN MARVEL INTO THE LOOM ! I THEREFORE KNEW THOU WOULDST COME AND STOP THE FIGHT ! CATCHEST THOU ON ?
HOLY MOLBY ! THAT'S RIGHT !

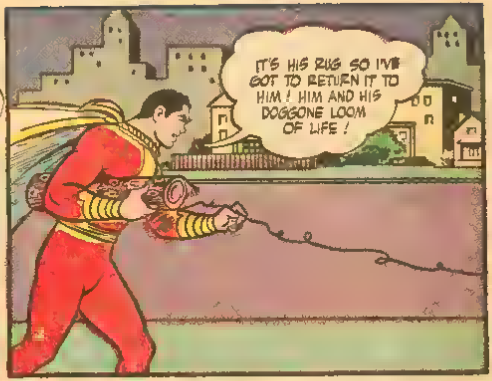
I'LL SAY YOU WOUND MY THREAD INTO THE LOOM ! IF I HADN'T CAUGHT UP, YOU'D HAVE HAD THE REST OF MY SUIT !


NOW DOST THOU BELIEVE THAT I AM A WEAVER OF DESTINY ? FAREWELL !
HOLY MOLBY ! NOW I AM PUZZLED ! DOES HIS LOOM OF LIFE REALLY CAUSE THESE THINGS TO HAPPEN, AS HE--ER--WEAVES THEM ?

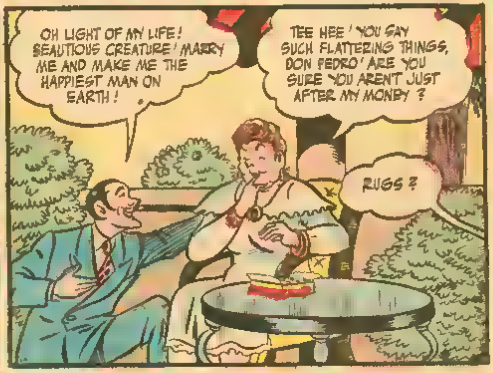
OH WELL, WHY WORRY ? I'VE GOT OTHER THINGS TO DO ! I SEE HE DIDN'T PICK UP ANY MORE LOOSE THREADS FROM ME SO I CAN LEAVE !


BUT AS CAPT MARVEL TURNS AWAY...
HEY ! OOPS !

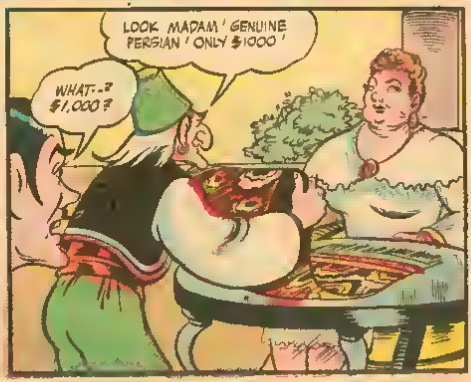
HOLY MOLEY! HE LEFT ONE OF HIS RUGS BEHIND! AND HE'S CAUGHT A THREAD OF IT INTO HIS LOOM THIS TIME!


IT'S HIS RUG SO I'VE GOT TO RETURN IT TO HIM! HIM AND HIS DOGGONE LOOM OF LIFE!

MEANWHILE...
A RICH HOME! THE RICH HAVE TROUBLES TOO! IF THERE IS NO TROUBLE I'LL SELL A RUG! I HEAR VOICES AHEAD IN THE GARDEN!


OH LIGHT OF MY LIFE! BEAUTIOUS CREATURE! MARRY ME AND MAKE ME THE HAPPIEST MAN ON EARTH!
TEE HEE! YOU SAY SUCH FLATTERING THINGS, DON PEDRO! ARE YOU SURE YOU AREN'T JUST AFTER MY MONEY?
RUGS?

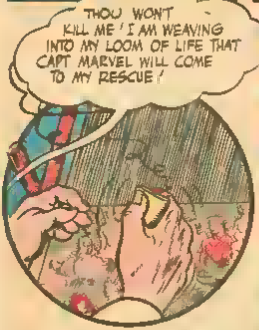
NICE RUGS?
GO AWAY! YOU ARE INTERRUPTING MY PROPOSAL TO THE MOST LOVELY WOMAN IN THE UNIVERSE!


LOOK MADAM! GENUINE PERSIAN! ONLY $1000!
WHAT--? $1,000?

I WON'T LET YOU SPEND OUR MONEY ON TRASH LIKE THAT! I HAVE OTHER PLANS FOR WHAT TO DO WITH YOUR FIVE MILLION -- I MEAN -- ER ---
AHA!

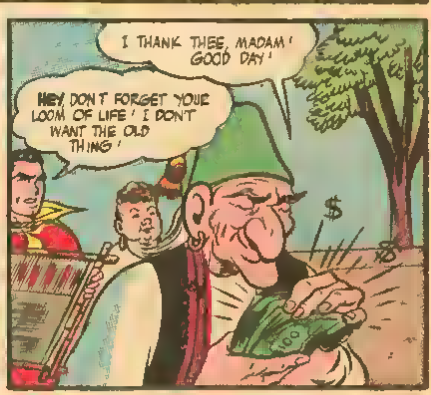
SEE, MADAM Z HE WISHES TO MARRY YOU ONLY FOR YOUR MONEY, NOT FOR LOVE!
WHY DON PEDRO! YOU HAVE UTTERLY DECEIVED ME, YOU FORTUNE-HUNTER!

YOU OLD MEDDLER! FOR RUINING MY PLANS I'LL SPILL YOUR HEART'S BLOOD!
MY LOOM! I MUST WORK FAST!

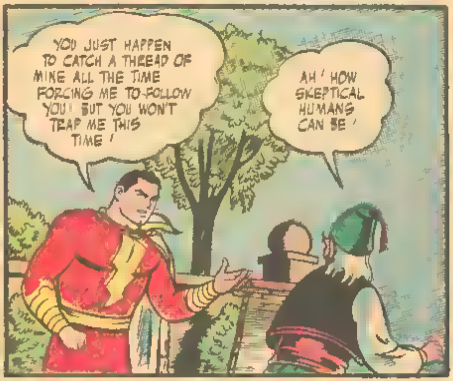

THOU WON'T KILL ME! I AM WEAVING INTO MY LOOM OF LIFE THAT CAPT MARVEL WILL COME TO MY RESCUE!

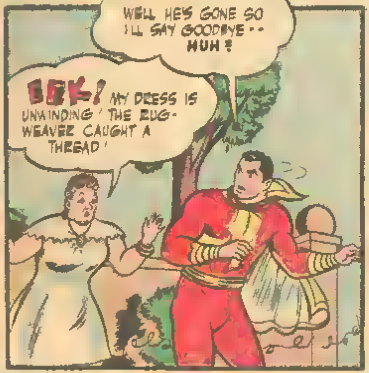
ULG!
AND HERE HE IS!
DROP THAT KNIFE, PAL!

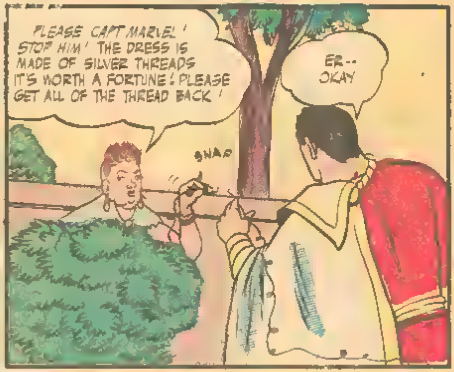
MY BUTLER WILL TAKE DON PEDRO TO THE POLICE! OH THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR EXPOSING HIM! I WILL BUY ALL YOUR RUGS AS A REWARD!


I THANK THEE, MADAM! GOOD DAY!
HEY, DON'T FORGET YOUR LOOM OF LIFE! I DON'T WANT THE OLD THING!

DO NOT SNEER AT MY LOOM OF LIFE CAPT MARVEL DID I NOT THREE TIMES WEAVE YOU INTO IT? AND DID YOU NOT THREE TIMES COME TO DO EXACTLY AS I WISHED?
ER-UH- YES BUT I STILL DON'T BELIEVE IT'S ANY MAGICAL POWER YOU HAVE!


YOU JUST HAPPEN TO CATCH A THREAD OF MINE ALL THE TIME FORCING ME TO FOLLOW YOU! BUT YOU WON'T TRAP ME THIS TIME!
AH! HOW SKEPTICAL HUMANS CAN BE!


WELL HE'S GONE SO I'LL SAY GOODBYE.. HUH?
EEK! MY DRESS IS UNWINDING! THE BUG-WEAVER CAUGHT A THREAD!


PLEASE CAPT MARVEL! STOP HIM! THE DRESS IS MADE OF SILVER THREADS IT'S WORTH A FORTUNE! PLEASE GET ALL OF THE THREAD BACK!
ER.. OKAY
SWAP

I HAVE TO FOLLOW HIM UP AGAIN!

MEANWHILE ACHMED IS HELD UP
TANKS FER DA DOUGH, SUCKER!
POOR FOOL LITTLE DOG THOU KNOW THAT I AM WEAVING ON MY LOOM OF DESTINY IN A MOMENT CAPT MARVEL WILL GRAB THEE

I'LL GRAB THAT THIEF AND- NO, WAIT ! NOW'S MY CHANCE TO PROVE ACHMED A FRAUD !
WHY DOST NOT CAPT MARVEL SHOW UP ? THE ROBBER IS GETTING AWAY !
LATER SOME DISTANCE AWAY !
FAR AS YOU GO BROTHER !
ULPS!
OKAY ! AND NOW I'LL RETURN THIS MONEY TO ACHMED !
I'LL TAKE THIS GUY TO THE STATION CAPT MARVEL
OH FIE ! CAPT MARVEL DIDN'T SHOW UP ! HE DIDN'T FOLLOW THAT SILVER THREAD FROM THE LADY'S DRESS AS I PLANNED HE WOULD ! FOR ONCE I SLIPPED UP !
YES THOU DID NOW DIDN'T THOU ?
HERE'S YOUR MONEY ACHMED !
THANK YOU ! AND GIVE ME THE SILVER THREAD TOO ! I'LL RETURN IT TO THE WOMAN !
NOW CONFESS THAT YOU'RE NOTHING BUT AN OLD FRAUD !
WELL -- THOU HAST GOT ME FRIEND ! MY LOOM OF LIFE IS A FAKE ! BUT I DID HELP PEOPLE OUT- WITH YOUR HELP ! BETWEEN THE TWO OF US CAPT MARVEL WE DID A GOOD JOB EH ? IT IS SUCH FUN PRETENDING THAT I AM A WEAVER OF DESTINY ! BUT NOW I WILL GO, AND LEAVE THEE IN PEACE ! THANKS AND GOODBYE !
THE OLD CODGER WAS DOING GOOD NOT EVIL SO I DIDN'T MIND HELPING HIM ! BUT WHEW THANK HEAVEN I'M FREE OF HIM AND THOSE DOGGONE THREADS AT LAST!

GET THESE SWELL WHEATIES PREMIUMS

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CIRCLE (1) Send ONE Wheaties box top and 15c

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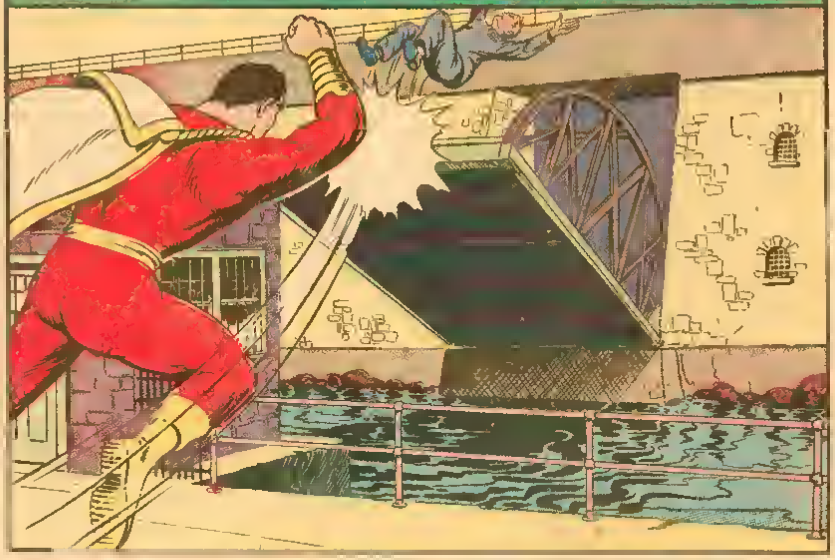
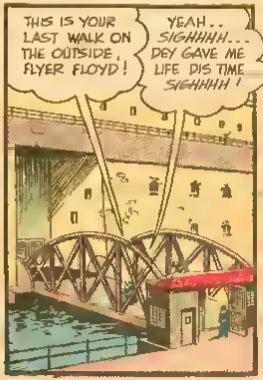




TAKE **FLYER FLOYD** THERE, FOR INSTANCE, HE THOUGHT HE HAD THE BEST RACKET EVER COOKED UP THAT IS, UNTIL HE RAN UP AGAINST **CAPTAIN MARVEL!**

CAPTAIN MARVEL'S THE ONE THAT SENT ME HERE! I SHOULD HAVE KNOWN I'D NEVER BE ABLE TO OUTWIT HIM!

BUT FLYER FLOYD'S REGRETS COME TOO LATE AND AS HE WALKS THE LAST FEW FEET INTO **STONE PRISON**, HIS MIND SWIRLS BACK OVER THE EVENTS THAT BROUGHT HIM TO THIS **BRIDGE OF SIGHS!**

I SHOULDA KNOWN BETTER

NOBODY CAN OUTSMART CAPTAIN MARVEL!

"I NEVER SHOULD HAVE TRIED TO STEAL THAT PLANE FROM STATION WHIZ ....

DIS IS DA STATION WHIZ BUILDING! OLD MORRIS, THE OWNER, JUST BOUGHT A PLANE, BUT HE'S NOT GOING TO KEEP IT VERY LONG!

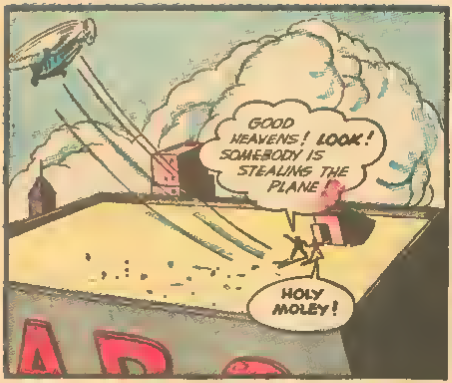
HERE IT IS! WHAT A NEAT JOB! A HELICOPTER--- JUST DA KIND TO STEAL AND SELL AGAIN!

DEY EVEN LEFT THE IGNITION KEY! DEY FIGURED NOBODY WOULD STEAL A PLANE! BUT I'M MODERN! STEALING CARS--**BAH**, DAT'S OLD STUFF! ME, FLYER FLOYD, I STEAL **AIRPLANES!**

MEANWHILE, BELOW, IN THE OFFICE OF STERLING MORRIS, OWNER OF STATION WHIZ ....

THIS IS THE MODERN AIR AGE, BILLY! I BOUGHT A NEW HELICOPTER PLANE FOR BUSINESS PURPOSES! COME ON, I'LL GIVE YOU A RIDE!

GEE, THIS OUGHT TO BE EXCITING!

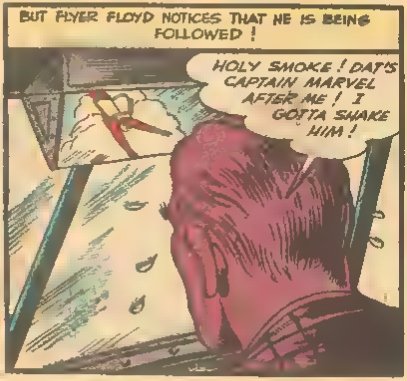

GOOD HEAVENS! LOOK! SOMEBODY IS STEALING THE PLANE!
HOLY MOLEY!

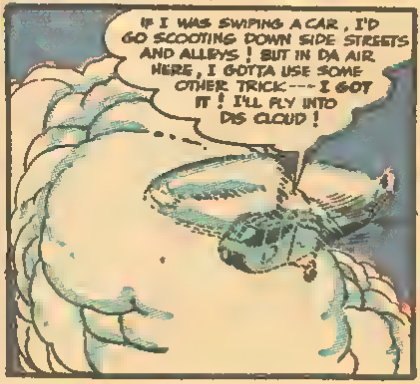
I'VE HEARD OF CAR THIEVES, BUT THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE RUN ACROSS A PLANE STEALER!
SHAZAM!

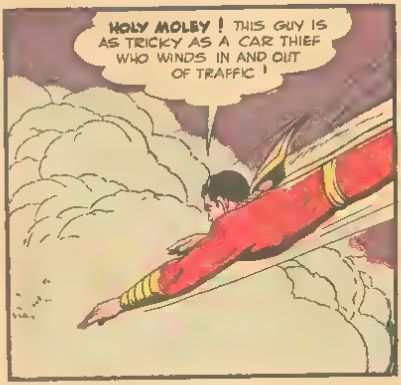
IN ANSWER TO THE ANCIENT NAME, MAGIC LIGHTNING THUNDERS DOWN AND CHANGES BILLY BATSON TO MIGHTY CAPTAIN MARVEL!
BOOM!

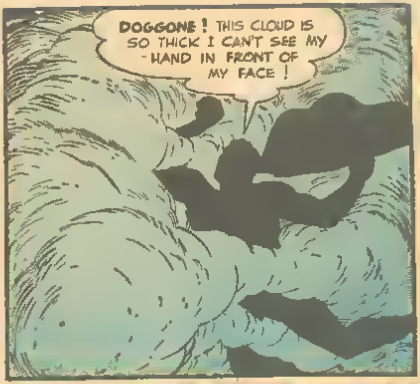
AND THE WORLD'S MIGHTIEST MORTAL SETS OUT IN PURSUIT OF THE STOLEN PLANE!

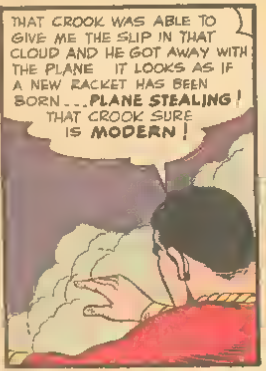
I'VE RUN DOWN CAR THIEVES IN MY TIME! IT SHOULDN'T BE ANY TRICK TO RUN DOWN A PLANE THIEF!

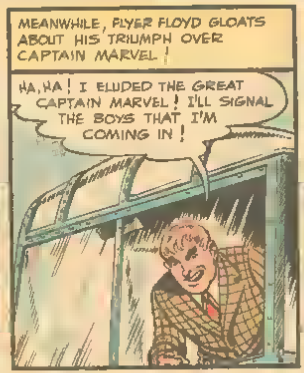

BUT FLYER FLOYD NOTICES THAT HE IS BEING FOLLOWED!
HOLY SMOKE! DAT'S CAPTAIN MARVEL AFTER ME! I GOTTA SHAKE HIM!

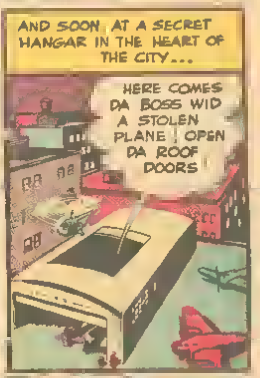

IF I WAS SWIPING A CAR, I'D GO SCOOTING DOWN SIDE STREETS AND ALLEYS! BUT IN DA AIR HERE, I GOTTA USE SOME OTHER TRICK --- I GOT IT! I'LL FLY INTO DIS CLOUD!

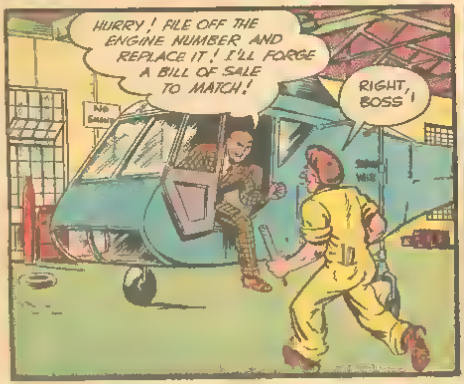

HOLY MOLEY ! THIS GUY IS AS TRICKY AS A CAR THIEF WHO WINDS IN AND OUT OF TRAFFIC !


DOGGONE ! THIS CLOUD IS SO THICK I CAN'T SEE MY HAND IN FRONT OF MY FACE !

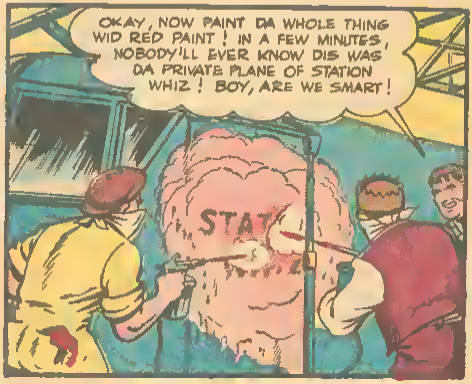

THAT CROOK WAS ABLE TO GIVE ME THE SLIP IN THAT CLOUD AND HE GOT AWAY WITH THE PLANE IT LOOKS AS IF A NEW RACKET HAS BEEN BORN . . . PLANE STEALING ! THAT CROOK SURE IS MODERN !


MEANWHILE, FLYER FLOYD GLOATS ABOUT HIS TRIUMPH OVER CAPTAIN MARVEL !
HA, HA ! I ELUDED THE GREAT CAPTAIN MARVEL ! I'LL SIGNAL THE BOYS THAT I'M COMING IN !

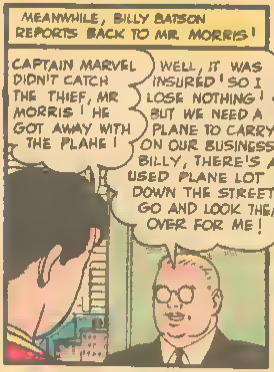

AND SOON, AT A SECRET HANGAR IN THE HEART OF THE CITY . . .
HERE COMES DA BOSS WID A STOLEN PLANE ! OPEN DA ROOF DOORS !

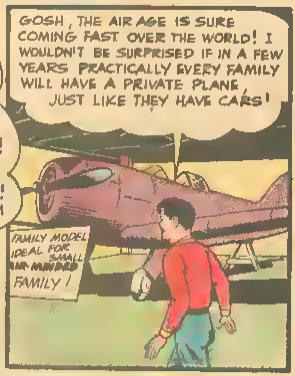

HURRY ! FILE OFF THE ENGINE NUMBER AND REPLACE IT ! I'LL FORGE A BILL OF SALE TO MATCH !
RIGHT, BOSS !

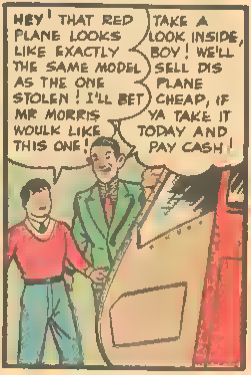
JUST LIKE WID CARS WHEN YA CHANGE THE ENGINE NUMBERS NOBODY CAN TRACE THEM !

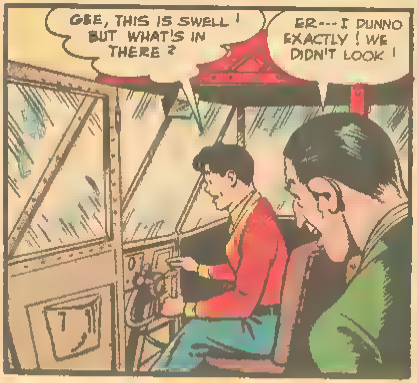

OKAY, NOW PAINT DA WHOLE THING WID RED PAINT! IN A FEW MINUTES, NOBODY'LL EVER KNOW DIS WAS DA PRIVATE PLANE OF STATION WHIZ! BOY, ARE WE SMART!
STAT

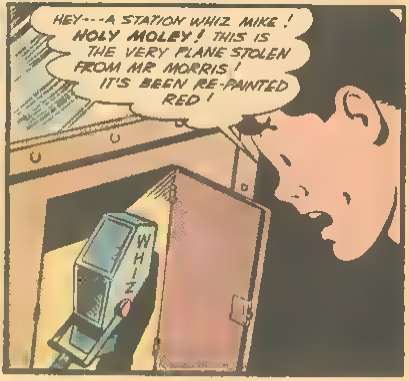
NOW SHOVE IT OUT INTO DA USED PLANE LOT! PLANES ARE IN BIG DEMAND! WE'LL SELL IT TODAY!
USED PLANES For Sale


MEANWHILE, BILLY BATSON REPORTS BACK TO MR. MORRIS!
CAPTAIN MARVEL DIDN'T CATCH THE THIEF, MR MORRIS! HE GOT AWAY WITH THE PLANE!
WELL, IT WAS INSURED! SO I LOSE NOTHING! BUT WE NEED A PLANE TO CARRY ON OUR BUSINESS! BILLY, THERE'S A USED PLANE LOT DOWN THE STREET! GO AND LOOK THEM OVER FOR ME!


GOSH, THE AIR AGE IS SURE COMING FAST OVER THE WORLD! I WOULDN'T BE SURPRISED IF IN A FEW YEARS PRACTICALLY EVERY FAMILY WILL HAVE A PRIVATE PLANE, JUST LIKE THEY HAVE CARS!
FAMILY MODEL IDEAL FOR SMALL MR MORRIS FAMILY!


HEY! THAT RED PLANE LOOKS LIKE EXACTLY THE SAME MODEL AS THE ONE STOLEN! I'LL BET MR MORRIS WOULD LIKE THIS ONE!
TAKE A LOOK INSIDE, BOY! WE'LL SELL DIS PLANE CHEAP, IF YA TAKE IT TODAY AND PAY CASH!


GEE, THIS IS SWELL! BUT WHAT'S IN THERE?
ER---I DUNNO EXACTLY! WE DIDN'T LOOK!


HEY---A STATION WHIZ MIKE! HOLY MOLEY! THIS IS THE VERY PLANE STOLEN FROM MR MORRIS! IT'S BEEN RE-PAINTED RED!
WHIZ

YOU GUYS ARE CROOKS! YOU STEAL PLANES, PAINT THEM OVER, AND RESELL THEM!

ULPS! DA KID CAUGHT ON!

I'M GOING TO HAVE YOU ARRESTED -- UGHHHHHHH!

NO YA WON'T, PUNK!

FLYER FLOYD HAS OVERHEARD, AND CREPT UP BEHIND BILLY!

WOT'LL WE DO WID HIM, BOSS? WHEN HE WAKES UP HE'LL SPILL DA BEANS TO DA COPS!

HE AIN'T NEVER GOING TO WAKE UP! UP IN DA AIR WID HIM!

DIS IS HIGH ENOUGH! FLING HIM OUT! DA KID'LL BE MINCEMEAT WHEN HE LANDS! HA, HAAAA!

UNCONSCIOUS, BILLY IS FLUNG TO HIS DOOM!

BUT THE RUSH OF FRESH AIR REVIVES HIM, AND...

HUH? WH-WHERE AM I? HOLY MOLEY! SHAZAM!

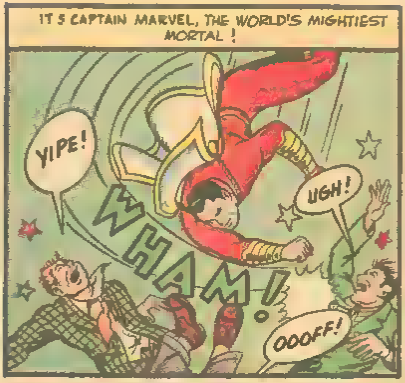
MAGIC LIGHTNING ONCE MORE BRINGS CAPTAIN MARVEL!

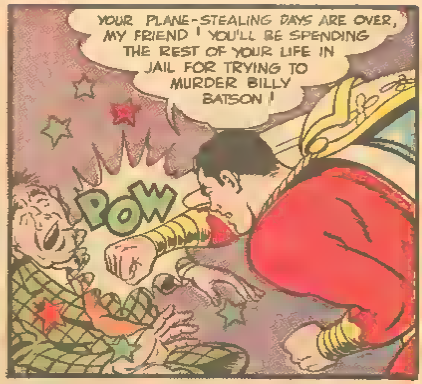
BAM!

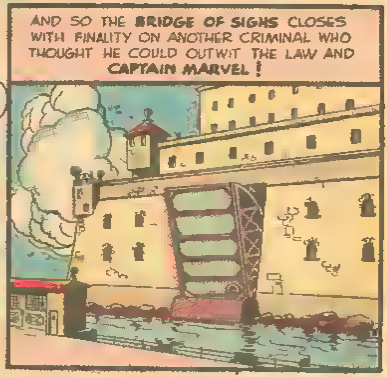
NOW TO GET THAT CROOK---BACK AT THE USED CAR LOT!

DA KID'S DONE FOR! SO NOW WE KIN GO ON STEALING PLANES AND SELLING DEM! WE'LL BE RICH IN A FEW YEARS!

BUT HEY, BOSS! LOOK WHAT'S COMING!







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TA-TA-DA TE-DUM-! **EUREKA! I'VE FOUND IT!**

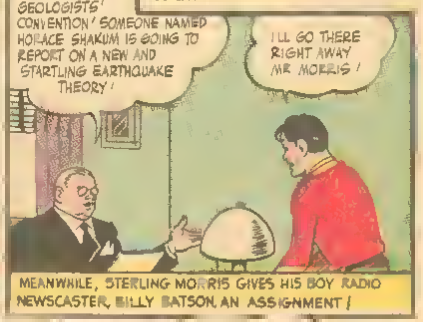
THIS IS IT! THE KEYSTONE OF THE WORLD! THE VERY STONE THAT HOLDS ALL THE OTHERS IN PLACE!

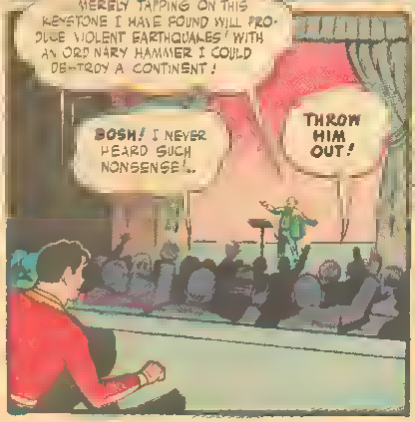
JUST WAIT UNTIL MY FELLOW GEOLOGISTS HEAR ABOUT MY DISCOVERY I'LL BE FAMOUS I'LL EVEN MAKE A SPEECH!

MY FRIENDS, YOU HAVE GIVEN ME GREAT HONORS I HORACE SHAKUM WISH TO

HELP!
I FORGOT TO HOLD ONTO THE PULLEY ROPE

OHHH! I HOPE THEY DON'T INSIST THAT I MAKE A SPEECH!


BILLY I WANT YOU TO COVER THE GEOLOGISTS' CONVENTION! SOMEONE NAMED HORACE SHAKUM IS GOING TO REPORT ON A NEW AND STARTLING EARTHQUAKE THEORY!
I'LL GO THERE RIGHT AWAY MR MORRIS!
MEANWHILE, STERLING MORRIS GIVES HIS BOY RADIO NEWSCASTER, BILLY BATSON, AN ASSIGNMENT!


MERELY TAPPING ON THIS KEYSTONE I HAVE FOUND WILL PRODUCE VIOLENT EARTHQUAKES! WITH AN ORDINARY HAMMER I COULD DESTROY A CONTINENT!
BOSH! I NEVER HEARD SUCH NONSENSE!..
THROW HIM OUT!

YOU CAN'T DO THIS TO ME!
HORACE SHAKUM'S THEORY CAN'T BE MUCH GOOD! NO ONE SEEMS TO BELIEVE HIM!

THE PRESIDENT OF THE CONVENTION APOLOGIZES TO BILLY.

I'M SORRY TO HAVE WASTED YOUR TIME BILLY! THERE'S NOTHING TO REPORT! HORACE SHAKUM WAS AN OBVIOUS CRACKPOT!

I GUESS THAT'S THE END OF HIS EARTHQUAKE THEORY!

BAH! I'LL PROVE I'M RIGHT! I'LL MAKE AN EARTHQUAKE WHERE NONE WAS EVER KNOWN BEFORE!

POOR FELLOW! THE SHOCK OF BEING LAUGHED AT AND THROWN OUT MUST HAVE AFFECTED HIS MIND!

BY VARYING THE INTENSITY OF VIBRATIONS, I CAN CONTROL THE EARTHQUAKE'S DIRECTION! HA-HA! IN THE MORNING THE WHOLE WORLD WILL KNOW THE TRUTH!

THAT NIGHT..

DAILY NEWS

STRANGE QUAKES ROCK PACIFIC!

THREE UNINHABITED ISLANDS DISAPPEAR!

"NO EARTHQUAKES EVER KNOWN IN THIS REGION"

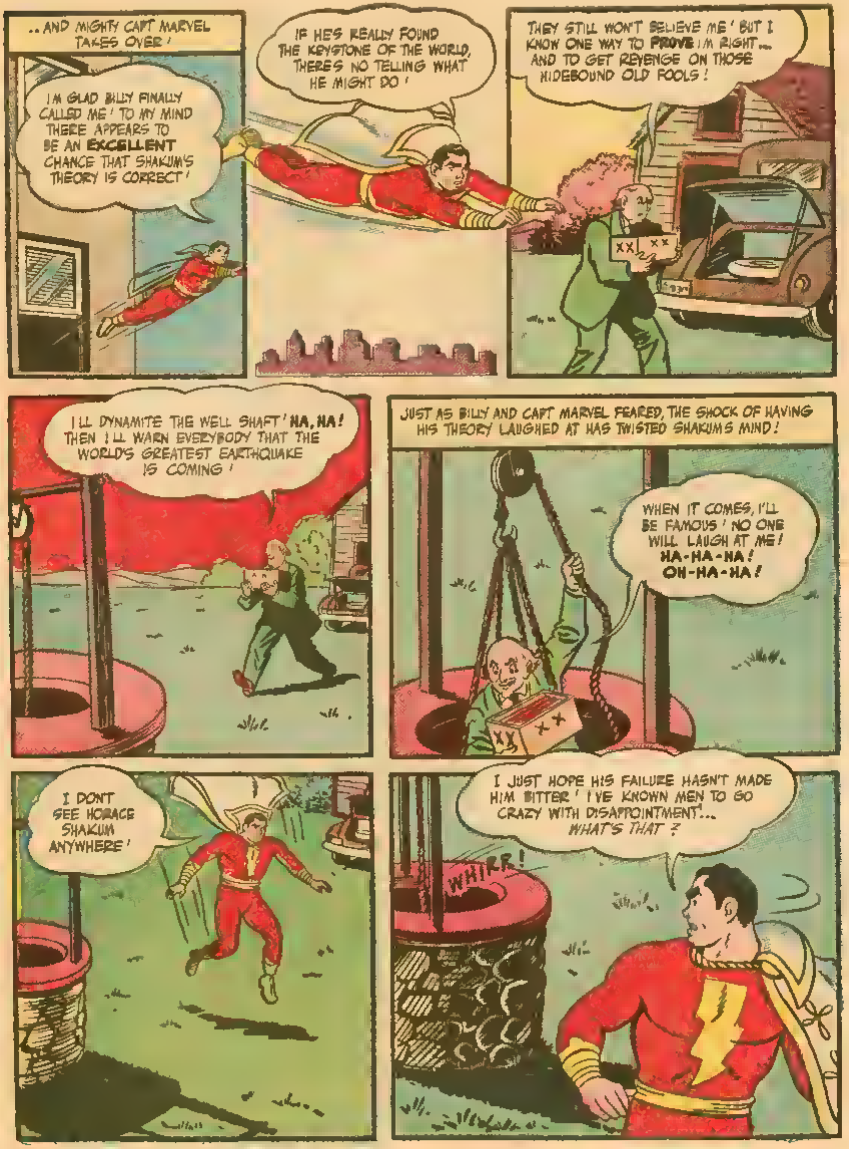
HORACE SHAKUM THREATENED TO DO THIS. OF COURSE IT'S JUST A COINCIDENCE... BUT I'D BETTER CALL THE PRESIDENT OF THE GEOLOGIC CONVENTION TO MAKE SURE!

HA, HA! HORACE SHAKUM CALLED A LITTLE WHILE AGO, BILLY! HE CLAIMED TO HAVE MADE THE EARTHQUAKES! NOT A GRAIN OF TRUTH IN WHAT HE SAYS OF COURSE!

I'M NOT SO SURE! BUT I'VE GOT SHAKUM'S ADDRESS AND CAPTAIN MARVEL WILL PAY HIM A VISIT.. SHAZAM!

AS BILLY BATSON SPEAKS THE MAGIC WORD THERE IS A BLAST OF LIGHTNING....

BOOM


..AND MIGHTY CAPT MARVEL TAKES OVER!
I'M GLAD BILLY FINALLY CALLED ME! TO MY MIND THERE APPEARS TO BE AN EXCELLENT CHANCE THAT SHAKUM'S THEORY IS CORRECT!
IF HE'S REALLY FOUND THE KEYSTONE OF THE WORLD, THERE'S NO TELLING WHAT HE MIGHT DO!
THEY STILL WON'T BELIEVE ME! BUT I KNOW ONE WAY TO PROVE I'M RIGHT... AND TO GET REVENGE ON THOSE HIDEBOUND OLD FOOLS!
I'LL DYNAMITE THE WELL SHAFT! HA, HA! THEN I'LL WARN EVERYBODY THAT THE WORLD'S GREATEST EARTHQUAKE IS COMING!
JUST AS BILLY AND CAPT MARVEL FEARED, THE SHOCK OF HAVING HIS THEORY LAUGHED AT HAS TWISTED SHAKUM'S MIND!
WHEN IT COMES, I'LL BE FAMOUS! NO ONE WILL LAUGH AT ME! HA-HA-HA! OH-HA-HA!
I DON'T SEE HORACE SHAKUM ANYWHERE!
I JUST HOPE HIS FAILURE HASN'T MADE HIM BITTER! I'VE KNOWN MEN TO GO CRAZY WITH DISAPPOINTMENT!... WHAT'S THAT?
WHIRR!

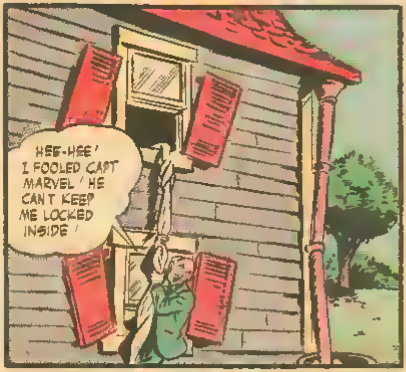
SHAZAM! WHAT ARE YOU DOING WITH THAT DYNAMITE?
CAPT MARVEL! HA, HA! I'M GOING TO BLOW THE KEYSTONE OUT OF PLACE!
OH, NO YOU AREN'T!
YOU'VE LOST YOUR MIND! YOU WERE ABOUT TO CAUSE TERRIBLE DESTRUCTION!
LEAVE ME ALONE!
I KNOW WHAT I'M DOING!
HMM! I DON'T BELIEVE YOU DO!
YOUR EXPERIENCES HAVE UNBALANCED YOUR MIND! YOU NEED A REST!
IT'S MY KEYSTONE! I CAN BLOW IT UP IF I WANT TO! YAAA-HA-HA-HA!
GO TO SLEEP! YOU'LL FEEL BETTER WHEN YOU WAKE UP! I'M LOCKING YOUR DOOR TO MAKE SURE YOU DON'T GET INTO ANY MORE TROUBLE!

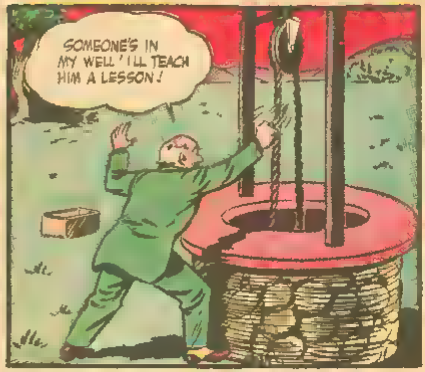
I'D BETTER TAKE A LOOK AT THAT WELL!

A TIGHT SQUEEZE FOR ME! BUT BILLY SHOULDN'T HAVE ANY TROUBLE .. SHAZAM!

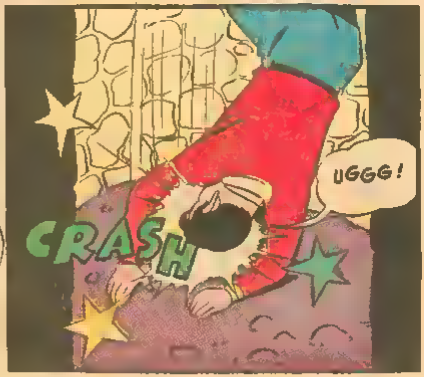
BOOM!

I WANT TO SEE THAT KEYSTONE! I'LL REMOVE THE DYNAMITE WHILE I'M DOWN THERE!

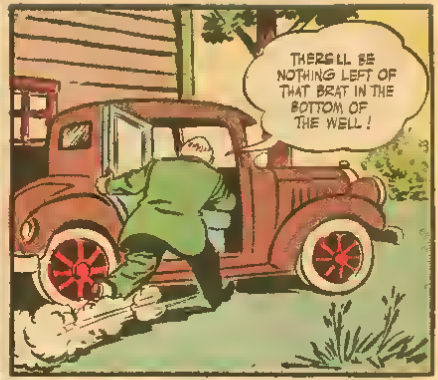

HEE-HEE! I FOOLED CAPT MARVEL! HE CAN'T KEEP ME LOCKED INSIDE!


SOMEONE'S IN MY WELL! I'LL TEACH HIM A LESSON!

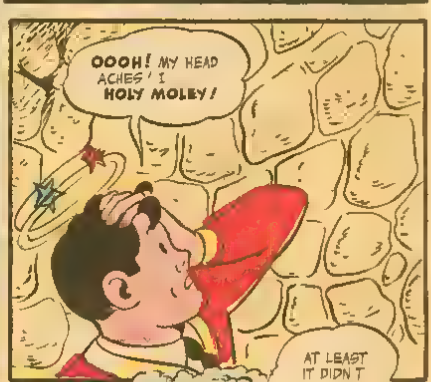
HOLY MOLEY! SOMEONE CUT THE PULLEY ROPE!


CRASH
UGGG!

NOW I'LL SET OFF THE DYNAMITE! HA-HA!


THERE'LL BE NOTHING LEFT OF THAT BRAT IN THE BOTTOM OF THE WELL!

IN FACT WHEN THE KEYSTONE IS DESTROYED THERE WON'T BE ANYTHING LEFT OF THE WORLD! HA-HA-HA! EVERYBODY WILL BE SURPRISED WHEN THEY WAKE UP TO FIND THEMSELVES DEAD!


OOOH! MY HEAD ACHES! I HOLY MOLEY!

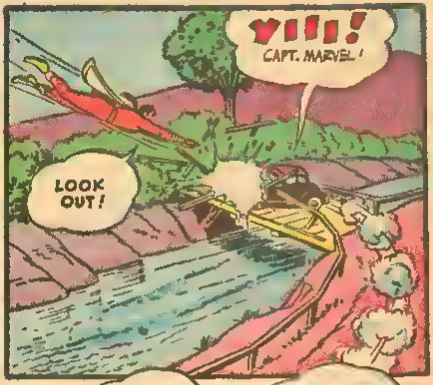
THE DYNAMITE'S GOING TO EXPLODE! IT'LL GO OFF ANY SECOND..

TOO LATE! I CAN'T GET RID OF IT IN TIME!.... SHAZAM!
SSSS

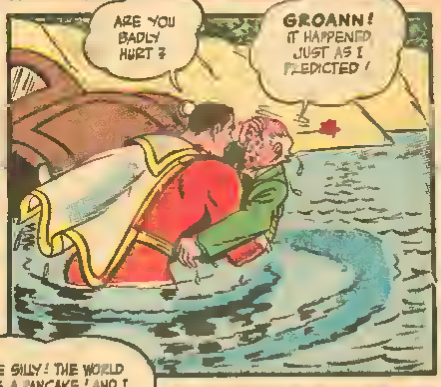
BOOM

BAROOM!
AT LEAST IT DIDN'T EXPLODE INSIDE THE WELL!

BUT THE WELL WALLS COLLAPSED AND BURIED THE KEYSTONE! NOW I'D BETTER FIND HORACE SHAKUM!
I FRIGHTENED HIM SO MUCH THAT HE CRASHED! IT'S ALL MY FAULT!


YIII!
CAPT. MARVEL!
LOOK OUT!

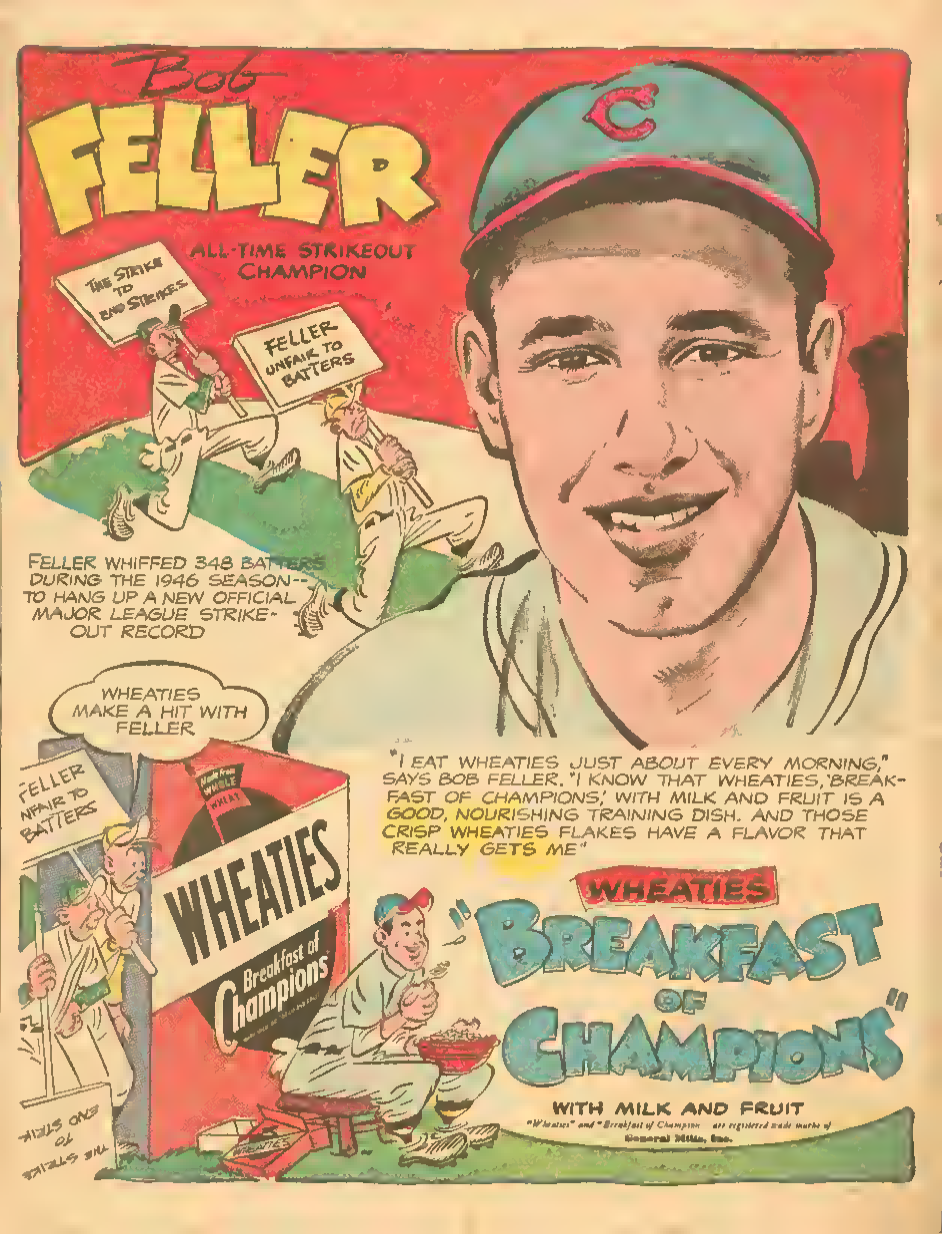
SPLASH!


ARE YOU BADLY HURT?
GROANN! IT HAPPENED JUST AS I PREDICTED!

I DROVE OFF THE EDGE OF THE WORLD! YES, SIRRE! RIGHT OFF THE EDGE!
THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE! THE WORLD IS ROUND! YOU DROVE OFF THE BRIDGE UP THERE!

DON'T BE SILLY! THE WORLD IS FLAT AS A PANCAKE! AND I CAN PROVE IT! WAIT UNTIL I EXPLAIN MY NEW THEORY TO THE POOR IGNORANT GEOLOGISTS!
MAYBE IT'S JUST AS WELL HE DOESN'T REMEMBER ABOUT THE KEYSTONE! POOR FELLOW HE'LL HAVE TO BE CONFINED TO AN ASYLUM!

CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS SAID THE WORLD IS ROUND FOLKS! AND SO DOES MOST EVERYONE ELSE! HORACE SHAKUM STILL ISN'T CONVINCED! BUT AT LEAST HE WON'T BE ABLE TO MAKE EARTHQUAKES ANY MORE!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